

So far this term we have enrolled fifty students. We expect to enroll sixty before the close of the year and next year we expect one hundred students to open school with. The brotherhood has many many more than this, why not send them here? Do you think anything is wrong with our instructors? Let me tell you about them.

Brother J. Allen Miller is not very large physically, but mentally he is a giant. He is one of the boys who has worked his way thru school. He has seen many "ups" and "downs" but finally succeeded in graduating at a famous college at Hiram, Ohio. He carries the degrees: A. M.; B. D. A few years ago, he was an Ashland student, now, he is "Ashland's" president and general hustler and he is a good one.

None of the boys here are rich and Brother Miller, as well as the rest of the teachers, know just exactly how to help such people, on account of a like experience previously. But Brother Miller is not the only one that deserves mention. Sister Miller is a graduate of Hiram College also. She is such a kind, good and noble woman that we students all have the highest respect and admiration for her as a teacher.

Brother L. L. Garber another instructor, the one who is nearly over worked, is a graduate of the Ohio State University. He handles all the branches in which he instructs, in a manner that is highly creditable to both himself and the College.

Last but not least is our brother, Prof. C. Orville Witter, who is a graduate of that great Normal of Normals of Valparaiso, Ind. Brother Witter has spent some time in the ministry but thinks he can do better service for the Lord here in fitting these boys and girls for the great responsibilities of life than he could elsewhere. Too much cannot be said in the praise of his work, in fact, for the work of all the instructors. They are all members of the Brethren church and they love her teaching.

From what I have seen, I would say that the instruction here is just what we need, as a church. I believe further that the Brethren church is the best church and I think our people agree with me. If I thought some other church better, I would soon try to get into it.

Now, brethren, if our instructors are good and the instruction such as we need to build up a strong church, why not patronize our College? True, our free school system with its High Schools, State Normals and State Universities afford the lowest and best financial rates, but can we look to our normals and universities for our missionaries, ministers, evangelists, editors, etc. Most emphatically, no!

Brethren, you at least who are near should, if possible, visit our College and observe the work here. You all agree that the best workers, generally, come from Christian colleges instead of schools where religion and Christianity are of secondary importance.

In the discussion of the topic for Young People's Meeting, Oct. 1, Our Own Church,

What Can We Do to Help Her? The thot of loyalty to the church and her institutions was brought out. One brother said, "If we are not loyal to our church and College, who can we expect to be loyal to them?" It is a good question for each of us to ask ourselves and consider carefully.

If any of you feel that the money you have paid toward our College is lost or worse than lost, you are sadly mistaken, and a visit to our College and a thorough investigation will verify my statement.

There are nine ministers in preparation here. All are working on the Classical Divinity Course. Some of our number this year may go to the foreign mission field, some to home missions, some, no doubt, will become powerful evangelists, some may become great writers.

The church in the future without a College to muster and train all these different departments is sure to be as helpless as a ship at sea without a rudder.

Our church has the talent and if we make no provision for them they will go elsewhere. Just now we have one in our College who has been and would be now in the Moody Institute if it were not for our institution here.

The college is paid for and what is wanted now, more than any other one thing is more students. Even if it does cost a little more car fare and is a little more expensive otherwise than our State Institutions. The Christian fellowship here will repay, ten times over, the extra expense in coming here.

In closing, I will say: Watch the EVANGELIST closely this year. It will contain quite a number of good articles on "Our College" its advantages etc., that were read at National conference and if you follow these closely I will assure you that you will think better of our College by this time next year, than ever before. A. H. LIGHTY.

Matrimonial

FLORA—FLORA.—At the home of bride's parents near Chili, Ind., Mr. Howard L. Flora of Ridgeway, Ind., and Miss Cora Flora were united by me in the bonds of holy matrimony, at noon on the 28th day of September, 1899. Thus again do two lives blend as meeting streams, mingling together their joys and their sorrows, going on as one to the great ocean. God bless them.

Roann, Ind.

LOUIS S. BAUMAN.

Our Dead

DEVORE—William Devore was born July 25, 1845, in Fayette County, Ohio, died Sept. 3, 1899, aged 54 years, 1 month, 9 days. He was united in marriage to Susan Feaster July 9, 1874. United with Brethren church at Fairview March 10, 1889, being a consistent member of the same until death. He leaves a wife, one daughter and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss, one daughter having preceded him to the other world. Funeral services were held by the writer to a large congregation.

ISAAC ROSS.

LEIDY—After three weeks of suffering from typhoid fever brother Samuel Leidy of Johnstown was called to his heavenly home, dying Sept. 25, 1899, aged 31 years, 9 months and 27 days. A wife and three little children are left to mourn this seemingly untimely death. The funeral services were conducted

by the writer at the Vinco Brethren church where deep sympathy was manifested for the bereft wife and the little children by the many friends present. Brother Leidy was a member of the Vinco Brethren church but has lived in this city for some time. He thought deeply of religious things during his sickness and we believe died sealed and saved by the blood of the son of God. May God's sweetest comfort be bestowed on the widow and the fatherless.

E. E. HASKINS.

BURKHART.—Bertha May Burkhardt was born Dec. 8, 1881, died Sept. 22, 1899, aged 17 years, 9 months and 12 days. Bertha's death was a great shock to her many friends, she being sick but a few days. She died of typhoid fever at the home of her grandparents elder and sister Stephen Hildebrand, Woodvale Ave., Johnstown, Pa. Bertha was baptized into Christ by her grandfather, who was then pastor of the Rosedale Brethren church on Nov. 17, 1892. The funeral services were conducted by the writer and elder Benjamin Gochenour on Sunday morning, Sept. 24, at the Hetrick's church, before a large concourse of friends. The Rosedale Brethren church choir, many of them Bertha's close friends sang at the service in the church and at the grave. All that was mortal of this young sister was interred in the Hetrick's cemetery waiting her Lord's coming. Much sympathy is expressed for the friends so suddenly bereft.

E. E. HASKINS

The Homiletic Review for October is at hand with its abounding helps and suggestions for the preacher. We always expect to find in its pages papers from leading writers and preachers representing the various Christian denominations and the world. The present number opens with an article on "Palestine Exploration," by Lieut.-Col. Conder R. E., D. C. L., LL. D., the great authority in this department of research. Our readers will be interested in one of his opening statements. It is as follows: "After carefully considering the evidence up to date, and the opinions of various scholars, the present writer has been unable to find a single case proved in which such evidence contradicts that of the Biblical writers, while the confirmation of Hebrew history is admitted by all to be often most remarkable and conclusive." The article is full of apt illustrations of Scripture from recent explorations. Dr. Samuel W. Dike, Secretary of the League for the Protection of the Family, who is the leading authority on divorces, furnishes a very able and timely article on "The Present Aspect of the Divorce Question." It brings the subject down to the meeting of the Commission on Uniform Legislation on Divorce, held in Buffalo during the closing days of August.

Dr. Henry Webster Parker contributes a searching practical paper on that much neglected thing, "Pastoral visiting." It is fitted to stir up the preacher's "pure mind by way of remembrance." The closing article in the *Review* Section, by Rev. Chas. Edwards, of Brooklyn, deals with that eminently practical subject: "The Relation of the Typical Church Program to Sabbath Observance in Large Cities." Some of its suggestions may well be taken to heart.

In the Sermonic Section we find the Bishop of Durham, Rev. Dr. Brooke Foss Westcott, dealing with the timely theme, "International Concord;" Rev. Dr. F. B. Meyer, with "Christians on the Rivers of God;" Rev. Alfred Hall, of Port Elizabeth, South Africa, with "The Lost Chord in Christian Life;" Dr. David James Burrell, with "The Delays of Providence." There is also a vast amount of suggestive and outline material.

The editorial topics to command attention need only be named: "Why the Sermon Was So Dull;" "Twentieth Century Forward Movement;" "No Appeal of Immoral Religion to the Court of Ethics;" "France Still on the Down Grade;" "Protestant Supremacy;" "Protestant Missions in Our New Possessions;" "A New Alliance of England and Islam."

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